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In re application of:

Glen A. Evans

Serial No. 09/922,221

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For: METHOD FOR ASSEMBLY OF
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ENCODING A TARGET
POLYPEPTIDE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks
that follow is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

In the specification:

Please insert the following paragraph at page 1, line 1, of
the specification:

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-This application is a continuation-in-part of
application Serial No. 09/554,929, filed in the United States on
May 12, 2000, as a national stage application of International
Application No. PCT/US98/19312, filed September 16, 1998, which

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claims the benefit of priority of provisional application Serial No. 60/059,017, filed September 16, 1997, now abandoned, the contents of each of which are hereby incorporated by reference into the present disclosure.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 are pending in the above-identified application.

The above-proposed amendment to the specification adds reference to prior applications of which Applicant claims the benefit of priority.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney or Cathryn Campbell if there are any questions in connection with this Preliminary Amendment.

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